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n re Application of: Krutchinsky et al. Serial No.: 10/657,580

**Confirmation No.: 9872** Filed: September 8, 2003

For: Method and System for Mass Spectroscopy

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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SMALL ENTITY				
RATE	ADDL. FEE	OR		
x 9=	\$			
x 43=	\$	OR		
x 145=	\$			
TOTAL	\$ 0.00			

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SMALL ENTITY				
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Title

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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 23, 2004, Applicants submit the following for consideration in the above-identified patent application.

Amendments to the Specification: None.

**Amendments to the Claims:** 

The claims are not being amended by the

Applicants at this time. However, a listing of the claims is being provided herewith for the use and convenience of the Examiner.

**Amendment to the Drawings:** 

None.

Remarks:

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